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1. From 1945 to 1951 [REDACTED] on the Soviet-Polish border,

cooperated very closely with the Polish Border Troop personnel on all matters pertaining to border violations. According to an agreement concluded between the USSR and Polish Governments [REDACTED] had the right to pursue border violators into and conduct searches on Polish territory. ([REDACTED] quite often with armed searching parties through Polish towns and villages, sometimes with police dogs.)

[REDACTED] in 1946 that a high Soviet representative by the name of LAVROV was living in Bialystok [REDACTED] N 53-80, E 23-107, Poland. [REDACTED] that LAVROV was either a high-ranking Soviet Border Troop officer or an MGB intelligence representative; all matters pertaining to unauthorized border crossings and the results of investigations conducted by Poles were always referred for decision by them to LAVROV. [REDACTED] the official title of LAVROV was Adviser (sovethnik); however, his prerogatives were actually much more extensive than those of an adviser. He was, in fact, top man in the territory of Bialystok Vovodstvo (province) in Poland. [REDACTED] any [REDACTED] Soviet Border Troop officer had contact with LAVROV. [REDACTED] always came to us through the Poles. [REDACTED] LAVROV was still in Bialystok at the same job.

2. During the same period [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] there were field grade Soviet Border Troop officers serving as advisers in all of the Satellite countries. This rumor was told by officers who referred to these advisers as either their former Commanding Officers, Chiefs of Staff, or the like. [REDACTED]

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50X1 [] the Satellite countries mentioned were East Germany, Bulgaria, Rumania, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, and Poland.

- 50X1 50X1 3. In April 1952 while attending the Higher Border Guard School, 10 to 12 [] who were majors or lieutenant colonels, received orders from the Chief Directorate Border Troops (GUPV) in Moscow to report immediately in person to the Chief Directorate in Moscow. All of them received the School's diploma before they left, although they had attended only five months of the 12-month course. Having reported to GUPV, they were transferred to the jurisdiction of General Staff, Soviet Armed Forces, and put into ground forces uniforms. All were sent to East Germany and appointed special advisers of East German Border Troop units stationed on the East German - West German border. Positions to which these officers were appointed were in almost all cases equivalent to those of regimental CO's or of battalion CO's. At the same time quite a large number of field grade Soviet Border Troop officers were called away from their jobs, ordered to report to GUPV, and having gone through the above-described procedure were also sent to East Germany to take over positions similar to those of the officers who had been appointed from the School. 50X1

[] these so-called advisers were in effect CO's of the East German Border Troop units.

4. a. In 1949, Col. GOLOVKIN, Chief of Staff of the Lithuanian Border District in Kaunas N 54-54, E 23-547, was sent as Senior Adviser to the administration of Border Troops, Republic of Mongolia.

[] that Col. GOLOVKIN had received a new assignment and was being sent as Senior Border Troop Adviser to the Mongolian Peoples Republic at Ulan-Bator.

- b. In 1950 Col. DZENZURA, the CO of the 24th Border Detachment of the Lithuanian Border District, stationed in Ozersk, was also sent as Border Troop Adviser to the Mongolian Peoples Republic. This was common knowledge in the Headquarters of the Lithuanian Border District.
- c. At the end of 1950 or early in 1951, Lt. Col. (Vet Corps) SAVRASOV, Chief of Veterinary Service of the 94th Border Detachment in Mariyampol' N 54-33, E 23-207, went to the Mongolian Peoples Republic as Veterinary Adviser for Border Troops.

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- d. Lt. Col. ZAYTSEV who had spent approximately three years in the Mongolian Peoples Republic returned to the USSR sometime in 1951. In 1952 he was appointed to the Higher Border Troop MGB Officers' School [] 50X1

5. In October 1952, Col. (MGB) PERSIKOV, Deputy Chief of Militia Directorate, City of Moscow, who was formerly CO of an MGB Interior Troops Division somewhere in the western Ukraine, was sent as Military Adviser to China. 50X1

[] seemed to be very pleased with the appointment, if for no other reason because of the double salary he was supposed to draw while in China.

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